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SUMMARY: KOSYGIN STUCK LARGEMLY TO CEMA ISSUES IN HIS SPEECH TO

THE 30TH CEMA MEETING IN EAST BERLIN JULY 7. TODOROV OF BULGARIA  
ATTACKED THE U.S. CALL FOR COORDINATION BY THE INDUSTRIAL  
DEMOCRACIES OF EASTERN TRADE POLICY. LAZAR OF HUNGARY COMPLAINED  
ABOUT PRICES OF RAW MATERIAL IMPORTS; AND RODRIGUEZ OF CUBA  
DELIVERED A POLEMIC CONTAINING FREQUENT REFERENCES TO THE  
UNITED STATES. END SUMMARY.

1. JULY 7, THE FIRST DAY OF THE CEMA 30TH MEETING  
IN EAST BERLIN SAW BRIEF ADDRESSES BY CEMA OFFICE HOLDERS  
ON FORMAL AGENDA ITEMS (REFTEL) FOLLOWED BY SPEECHES  
BY DELEGATION CHIEFS KOSYGIN, TODOROV, LAZAR, AND RODRIGUEZ.  
EXTENSIVE EXCERPTS OF THE LATTER WERE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE  
PRESS AND HIGHLIGHTS FOLLOW.

2. SPEAKING FIRST, KOSYGIN REVIEWED IN UNREMARKABLE FASHION  
SOVIET VIEWS ON CEMA INTEGRATION, CALLING IT AN "EXTRAORDINARILY  
IMPORTANT FACTOR" IN SECURING THE POWER OF THE SOCIALIST COMMUNITY AN  
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PRAISING IT AS A FACTOR IN THE "PERCEPTIBLE TURN TOWARD DETENTE  
THAT HAS CHARACTERIZED THE FIRST HALF OF THE 1970S".  
IN TECHNICAL AREAS, KOSYGIN STRESSED THE DESIRABILITY OF  
JOINT LONG-TERM PLANNING IN KEY INDUSTRIES, INCLUDING FUEL AND  
ENERGY, AND SAID THAT A "GENERAL AGREEMENT" ON COOPERATION  
TOWARD A UNIFIED CEMA ELECTRICAL ENERGY SYSTEM WOULD BE SIGNED IN  
1977. HE HAILED GROWING CEMA TIES WITH LESS-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES,  
AND REFERRED WITH SATISFACTION TO UNCTAD IN NAIROBI,  
WHERE, KOSYGIN SAID CEMA MEMBERS ADVANCED A DETAILED  
COMMON POSITION.

3. NEXT CAME TODOROV OF BULGARIA WHO LACED FEALTY TO THE SOVIET  
UNION WITH INVIDIOUS COMPARISONS BETWEEN CEMA AND EC ECONOMIC  
PERFORMANCE IN 1975. MORE INTERESTING HOWEVER, WAS A DIRECT  
ATTACK ON SECRETARY KISSINGER'S CALL FOR COORDINATION OF EAST-  
WEST TRADE POLICY BY THE INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACIES. TODOROV SAID  
"AN EXPRESSION OF THIS TENDENCY (TOWARD THE INCREASING IMPORTANCE  
OF ECONOMIC PROBLEMS IN WORLD POLITICS) IS THE SYSTEMATIC  
EFFORT OF SOME WESTERN CIRCLES TO WORK OUT AN AGREED APPROACH  
ON ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH THE MEMBER  
COUNTRIES OF CEMA. IN THE PAST THE IMPERIALIST  
STATES HAVE TRIED TO REACH THEIR GOALS THROUGH A POLICY  
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OF EMBARGO AND BLOCKADE. UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS OF  
DETENTE, THEY ARE ATTEMPTING TO UNDERMINE OUR POLICY  
OF PEACE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION WITH MORE ELASTIC MEANS.  
ANOTHER EXPRESSION OF THIS IS THE SEVEN-POINT PROGRAM  
ON WORKING OUT A COMMON APPROACH IN RELATIONS WITH  
SOCIALIST STATES THAT WAS PRESENTED BY KISSINGER RECENTLY  
AT THE OECD MEETING IN PARIS." APPROVING REFERENCES  
TO GROWING CEMA TIES WITH LDS'S AND OTHER FOREIGN

COUNTRIES WERE FOLLOWED BY A POSITIVE REFERENCE TO THE CEMA INITIATIVE "FOR CONCLUSION OF AN AGREEMENT ON THE PRINCIPLES OF MUTUAL RELATIONS" BETWEEN CEMA AND THE EC.

4. HUNGARIAN PRIME MINISTER LAZAR PULLED FEW PUNCHES IN DESCRIBING THE DIFFICULTIES "WORLD MARKET" RAW MATERIALS PRICES WERE CAUSING HIS COUNTRY. WITH 45 PERCENT OF HUNGARIAN NATIONAL INCOME INVOLVED IN FOREIGN TRADE, THE "UNFAVORABLE ALTERATION OF CONDITIONS OF EXCHANGE" AND THE FACT THAT HUNGARY WAS FORCED INCREASINGLY TO WESTERN RAW MATERIALS MARKETS TO MEET ITS NEEDS LEAD TO "SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION" OF THE HUNGARIAN POSITION. PRAISING LONG-TERM PLANNING COORDINATION, LAZAR SAID CEMA OUGHT ALSO TO PAY SOME ATTENTION TO TIMELY FULFILLMENT OF THE OBLIGATIONS IT HAS ALREADY TAKEN ON, AS, FOR EXAMPLE, THE ORENBURG PIPELINE. STRESSING HUNGARIAN DEPENDENCE ON IMPORTED FUEL, LAZAR SAID IT IS VITAL TO BE ABLE TO RELY ON THE USSR, IN WHICH CONNECTION HUNGARY THINKS IT IMPORTANT THAT THE INTERESTS OF BOTH EXPORTING AND IMPORTING COUNTRIES ARE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN WORKING OUT COOPERATION ARRANGEMENTS.

5. CUBAN DELGATE RODRIGUEZ DEVOTED A LARGE PORTION OF HIS REMARKS TO EXTRAVAGANT RHETORIC ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS THEMES, ESPECIALLY NATIONAL LIBERATION STRUGGLES IN AFRICA, LATIN AMERICA AND ASIA. HE PRAISED ANGOLA FOR ITS VICTORY OVER IMPERIALISM ACHIEVED THROUGH SOLIDARITY WITH CUBA, THE USSR, OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES, AND THE SOCIALIST COMMUNITY, AND HE MADE FREQUENT DEROGATORY REFERENCE TO THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING ACCUSATIONS OF SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY IN JAMAICA AND GUYANA. A LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REFERENCE TO THE PUERTO RICO SUMMIT PORTRAYED "U.S. IMPERIALISM" AS BARRING THE WAY TO PUERTO RICAN NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE. A FURTHER REFERENCE NAMED SECRETARY KISSINGER IN WHAT WAS APPARENTLY MEANT AS AN ATTACK ON THE U.S. INTERNATIONAL RESOURCE BANK PROPOSAL. RODRIGUEZ ADDRESSED CEMA ISSUES LATER IN HIS SPEECH, STRESSING THE DESIRABILITY OF CEMA SUPPORT FOR LDC ASPIRATIONS, AND ADVERTISING CUBA AS A SOURCE OF VARIOUS PRODUCTS AND RAW MATERIALS. COOPER

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